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ROLF ENGEL WEST GERMAN ENGINEER AND GUIDED MISSILES RESEARCH SPECIALIST JOINED THE SISPRE GROUP SUMMER OF 1957. (SISPRE ORGANIZATION IN ROME IS SPONSORED BY ITALIAN MINISTRY OF DEFENSE; IS WORKING ON DEVELOPMENT OF NEW WEAPONS, HEADED BY GENERAL ALDO URBANI, INCLUDES REPRESENTATIVES OF FIAT COMPANY, FIRMECCANICA, AND BOMBARDINI-PARODI-DELFINO (LATER IS LARGEST FIRM IN ITALY WORKING ON AMUNITION AND SOLID ROCKET FUELS.) SINCE 1957 ENGEL HAS BEEN TRYING TO PERSUADE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TO ENTER THE EUROPEAN POOL FOR ROCKET DEVELOPMENT AND HAS MADE FREQUENT TRIPS TO THE BREMEN ROCKET RESEARCH CENTER. HE WORKED AT ~~FRANKFURT~~ ^{with Opel} AND WITH SKODA DURING WORLD WAR II. AFTER THE WAR, HE WORKED ON FRENCH ROCKET DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS, THEN AS A CONSULTANT AND TECHNICAL DIRECTOR ON ROCKETS AND GUIDED MISSILES WITH THE EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT UNTIL GOING TO SISPRE.

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IN AUGUST 1958, PROF. ROLF ENGEL REPRESENTATIVE OF SISPRE ORGANIZATION OF ROME DISCUSSED POSSIBLE ITALIAN-GERMAN COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH ON MISSILES WITH MEMBERS OF PROF. EUGEN SAENGER'S INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH ON THE PHYSICS OF JET PROPULSION STUTTGART. IN NOV. 58 ENGEL VISITED BOELKOW-ENTWICKLUNGSGESAMTGESELLSCHAFT (BEGG) HEADQUARTERS TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE BEGG EMPLOYMENT OF SOLID ROCKET FUELS PRODUCED BY AN ITALIAN FIRM, BOMBARDINI. IN DECEMBER 1959 BEGG PROPULSION ENGINEERS HEINZ TOEFFER, R. FUCHS AND KUNO DREYER AND SAENGER INSTITUTE SCIENTIST PROF. DR. ARMIN DADIEU MET IN ROME WITH ENGEL AND WITH REPRESENTATIVE OF BOMBARDINI STOCKHOLDERS, DIPL. ING. ^{THE} ALVARO ORLEANS-BORBON. SUBJECT OF THIS DISCUSSION WAS AGAIN THE POSSIBILITY THAT BEGG WOULD SWITCH ITS SOLID FUEL PROCUREMENT FROM THE WEST GERMAN FIRM DYNAMIT A.G. TO BOMBARDINI. BEGG PERSONNEL WILL HOLD A FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH BOMBARDINI REPRESENTATIVES IN ROME ON OR ABOUT 1 MARCH 1959

Field comments: ENGEL MADE CONTACT WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SAENGER INSTITUTE IN AUG 58 AT 9th CONGRESS OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASTRONAUTICAL FEDERATION (IAF) IN AMSTERDAM.

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IN LATE DECEMBER 1957 ENG. ROLF ENOEL, A GERMAN ENGINEER IN THE
FIELD OF SPACE RESEARCH EMPLOYED BY THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT SISPRE
ORGANIZATION, VISITED THE BOELKOW CORPORATION IN STUTTGART TO DISCUSS
POSSIBILITIES OF ACQUIRING A LICENSE FOR THE ITALIANS TO MANUFACTURE
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